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ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEWS COMPLETED

Project reviews completed from August 15 to September 15 are listed below. These projects have been screened through the internal environmental review process for potential impacts on wetlands, threatened and endangered species, and cultural and archaeological resources, etc. Through the review process it was determined that environmental impacts have been kept to a minimum and mitigated as necessary, that they do not meet the criteria for significant actions as defined in the environmental review process, and may proceed. All of these projects are in compliance with the Endangered Species Protection Act, Natural Areas Preservation Act, Interagency Wetlands Policy Act and cultural resource statutes.

Stiritz Landing

1102471 – This project involves placement of a telephone pole. An eagle platform will be placed on the telephone pole. Project was submitted for review on 9-9-10.

Shabbona Lake State Park

1102270 – This project involves construction of a barrier fence in the exit channel for Shabbona Lake. Fence will prevent the loss of fish from the lake into the creek system. Project was submitted for review on 9-1-10.

Pyramid State Park

1007608 – This project involves construction to support Horseback Field Trial activities at this site. The initial project will construct a pole barn and aggregate access lane. An aggregate parking lot and a 4-5 acre pasture will be implemented at a later time. Project was submitted for review on 3-23-10.

Rock Island State Trail

1101037 - This project involves rehabilitation of the trail. Heavy rains caused damage at two drainage crossings. Project was submitted for review on 7-27-10.

Chouteau Island

1101317 — This project involves placement of a temporary aboveground dredge pipeline across agricultural fields. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will be dredging sand from the channel of the Mississippi River and transferring the sand across the property. Project was submitted for review on 8-9-10.

Rock Island Riverfront Park

1101629 - This project involves construction of a transient docking system on the site that was formerly Jumers Casino. Project was submitted for review on 8-13-10.

Brandon Road Lock & Dam

1101644 - This project involves installing a hydro-power facility. Currently the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has a lock and dam at this site and will remain as such. Project was submitted for review on 8-16-10.

Hanson Material Service

1102509 - This project involves a scientific study to demonstrate the effectiveness of using a sound (sonic) barrier to stop movement of Asian carp beyond the existing electric barrier and/or repel Asian carp away from the electric barrier and the protected area. Project was submitted for review on 9-10-10.

Questions and Comments

All questions and comments about the environmental review process or this newsletter should be directed to:

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